16 July 1952

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Flame)

Inspector General

SUBJECT

: Patent Richts

1. You will note in the attached papers that we have run headlong into a patent rights problem in one of the first contracts which we have attempted to negotiate for the program. We are trying to compresse with the contractor to get this contract on the road. However, I enticipate future problems of a similar nature in connection with this Program.

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- 2. While I believe that the Deputy Director (Administration) should be responsible for protecting the Covernment's interest in those matters, I would hope that we could all agree on what Agency policy should be. I commer in the General Counsel's suggestions, which are attached, with the exception of paragraph 3. c. thereof. The Agency Patents Board was set up for an entirely different purpose and were I the Deputy Director (Administration) I would like to reserve the right to make final determination myself. I, therefore, would place the responsibility for final determination on the Deputy Director (Administration) who, of course, could compult others in the Agency, including the Patents Board, if he deemed it appropriate.
- 3. I would appreciate requiring your comments on this metter as early as possible.

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